GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

WRD – Rayalaseema Lift Scheme – Original Application No. 71 of 2020 filed before Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Chennai – Payment of Bills to the Advocates – Orders – Issued.

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with Head of Accounts "4700 COL on Major irrigation - 01 Major irrigation - Commercial - MH001 Direction and Administration – GH - 11- State development schemes - SH13 - 280 professional services-281 pleader fees" of the legal team for arranging payments to the following advocates for appearing before the Hon'ble NGT in the OA No.71/2020 and also requested allotment of sufficient budget for meeting legal service charges as this unit has meagre funds under this head.

1. Sri R. Venkata Ramanai, Senior Advocate
2. Smt. Madhuri Dontireddy, standing counsel w.e.f 15.05.2020.
3. Dr. Tushara James as Legal counsel/Advocate w.e.f.11.07.2020.
4. Sri M.R.S.Srinivasa, Advocate w.e.f. 27-07-2020.

6. In the reference 5th read above, Govt. have directed the Chief Engineer, IS&WR, Vijayawada to clear the pending bills of the Advocates appointed in the above case, as per the existing norms, in the tribunals who are already appointed. For those who are taken on ad-hoc basis payment can be made equivalent to the norms adopted for NGT cases with the same fee structure as approved in G.O.Rt.No.15, WR (Proj.I.A2) Deptt., Dt:08.01.2018 for Appeal No.116 of 2015 filed before National Green Tribunal and for all cases filed against Polavaram Irrigation Project and other related matters before Apex Courts and before National Green Tribunal. For Standing Council and other Counsels in National Green Tribunal, Chennai, it should be as per the norms in NGT, New Delhi.

7. In the reference 6th read above, the Chief Engineer, IS&WR has requested for approval of the fee structure made as per the Government Memo No.ICD01/1291/2020-MLO-III, Dt:10.11.2020 and payment processed by the O/o C.E., IS&WR to the Advocates in the OA No.71 of 2020 filed before the NGT on Rayalaseema Lift Scheme. The amount claimed by the Advocates has been scrutinized by the C.E., IS&WR as per the Government instructions, Government Orders and the bills are processed for arranging payment from IS&WR unit as follows.

1. Sri R.Venkataramani, Senior Advocate - Rs.42,24,000/-
2. Dr Tushara James, Advocate - Rs.15,00,000/-
3. Smt Madhuri Donti Reddy - Rs. 8,10,000/-

8. In the circumstances reported by the Chief Engineer, IS&WR, in the reference 6th read above, the Government after careful examination of the matter hereby approve the fee structure made as per the Government Memo. No ICD01/1291-MLO-III, Dated 10-11-2020 and payment processed by the O/o the Chief Engineer, IS&WR to the Advocates in O.A.No. 71/2020 filed before the NGT on Rayalaseema Lift Scheme.

9. The Chief Engineer IS&WR shall take necessary action accordingly.

10. This order issued with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.Nos. FIN01-FMU0PC(WR1)/175/2020-FMU-WR-I, Computer No.1287377, dt: 04.01.2021 and U.O.No.FIN01-FMU0PC(WR3)/67/2020-FMU-WR-III,Computer No.1305108 /1287377, Dt: 16.01.2021.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Syamala Rao Jamjam
Secretary To Government

To
The Chief Engineer, IS&WR, WRD, A.P.,
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The Chief Engineer & DWRO, Kurnool.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P.,

1st Floor, C-Block, Anjaniya Towers, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada.
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The Finance (FMU WR III) Department.
P.S. to Secretary to Govt., Water Resources Dept.
P.S. to Hon'ble M(WRD)

//Forwarded by order//

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